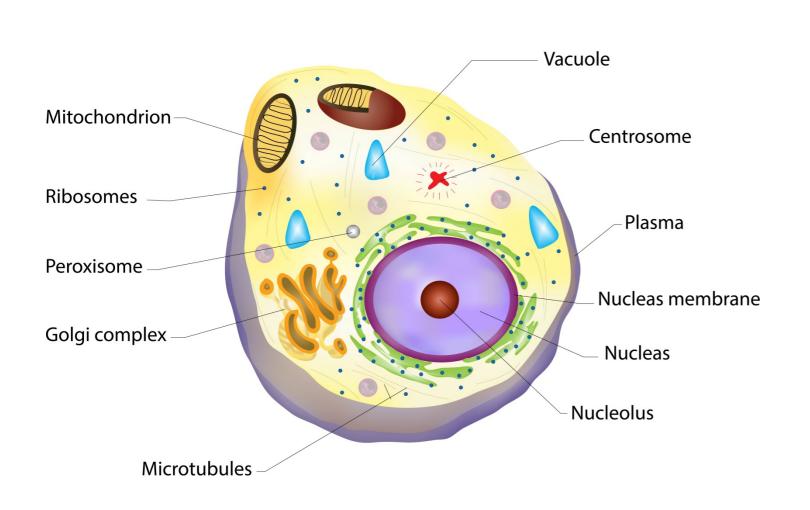
# **How the Discovery Process Works**

(Part 2: Cell vs. Cell Phone)



### What Is Scientific Research?





How does research on a cell differ from that of a cell phone?

## Research Required for Cell Phone (Theoretical & Applied)

- Physics
- Chemical
- Materials
- Computer
- Software
- Electrical
- Micro-electronics
- Aerospace
- Etc.



## Theoretical Physics vs. Applied Physics

#### **Theoretical Physics**

 Uses mathematical models to explain and predict natural phenomena

#### **Applied Physics**

 Uses experimental tools to test natural phenomena; resulting in technology

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nabla^2 - \mu \epsilon \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nabla^2 - \mu \epsilon \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}$$
where
$$c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu \epsilon}}$$

**Inventing the Radio** & Cell Phone

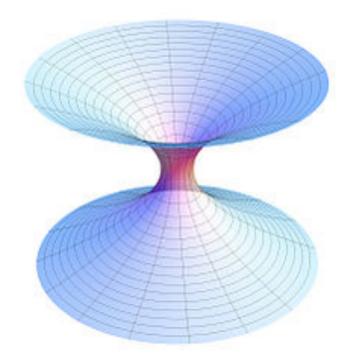




- In the 1860s mathematical equations were developed that described electromagnetic waves (such as radio waves).
- Around 50 years latter the first radio was invented, ultimately resulting in cell phones.

### Theoretical Physics vs. Applied Physics

#### **Theoretical Physics**



Wormhole

Wormholes have never been observed, but they are predicted to exist through mathematical models.

**Applied Physics** 



**Hadron Particle Collider** 



